



## LODI POLICE DEPARTMENT

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### PRESS RELEASE

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**Release Date and Time:** February 11, 2011

**Subject: Suspicious Incident Scam**

**LPD Case#:** 11-1036

**Suspect(s) Information:** Hispanic male adult #1 described as being in his mid thirties wearing a white striped button up shirt, blue blazer and light blue jeans. Hispanic male adult #2 described as being in his mid fifties wearing a black button up shirt with khaki stripes and khaki dress pants.

**Details:** On 02-09-2011, at 5:38PM, officers of the Lodi Police Department responded to 311 S Lower Sacramento Road, Lodi (Wells Fargo Bank) on a report of a suspicious incident.

This incident occurred earlier in the day at around 12:15PM, when the victim was approached by two Hispanic males in the parking lot of Wal-Mart located at 2350 W Kettleman Lane. The two suspects are believed to have offered the victim a gold colored metal bar. The suspects then went with the victim to her bank where she withdrew 1000.00 dollars and gave the money to the suspects. It appears she found out later that the gold bar was in fact fake and she had been scammed. The victim then went back to her bank, requesting her bank account be credited. The bank employees immediately called the Lodi Police Department.

This investigation is on-going. If anyone has information regarding this crime call the Lodi Police Department at (209) 333-6727 or Crimestoppers at (209) 333-6771.

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Persons with information on this or any criminal case or activity are encouraged to call Lodi Area Crimestoppers at 209-333-6771. You may remain anonymous and be eligible for a cash reward.